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Dear Mary,

One of the things that may contribute to part of my "bad" reputation is the effort I make to clean up each day's mail the day I get it. I am into so much, if I do not it accumulates and becomes more of a burden.

Many thanks for the Curry book. I look forward to being able to read it with care. And I would appreciate the second copy to be able to lend it. Like you, I prefer two copies of each, one for working with and marking up, one for keeping good and clean. But I just cannot afford it. And I do not known when I can pay you for this and the others to which I also look forward. You know, even the trash often has something of worth (Jack Ruby's Girls is what I have in mind here).

On Weeley: your first hunch is, I am confident, correct: Ml Phenix. I have all of that on a pair of untranscribed tapes of in terviews. It came back as soo as I saw your words.

On your getting the books from Penn: this is for your information only, ofr I regard him as a sick man, one of the casualties. He has yet to pay for those books, has refused to, and has gone so far as to refuse to trade me what he has (the 26 and the JCA film), which he sells for less than what he owes me.

I have suggested to Paul, and Gary that they get Curry's book from you. There are others who work with Paul who perhaps should have it. I'd like to know if anyone makes a comparison between the originals of the documents he publishes and those the Commission has. (Bud has a copy. I've just glanced at it.)

There is a very bright, very helpful 16-year-old schoolboy with whom I am in touch. I'll lend him the second copy. He is pretty sharp. There is also a college professor in Canada who may want one. I hope extra copies will not be a burden to you if they are requested.

My thanks, my apologies and my best,

Sincerely,

cc: gs